

# MIAMI BEACH

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LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE: July 22, 2016

SUBJECT: Miami-Dade County Metropolitan Planning Organization Vote To Make The Beach Corridor Project (MacArthur Causeway Light Rail/Modern Streetcar) A Priority

On Tuesday July 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Miami-Dade County Metropolitan Planning Organization unanimously approved an amendment to the County's Long Range Transportation Plan to include in Priority 1 the Project Development and Environmental Phase for the Beach Corridor project that will provide a light rail/modern streetcar connection across the MacArthur Causeway.

A Memorandum of Understanding was also signed jointly by Miami Beach, City of Miami, Florida Department of Transportation and Miami Dade County that provides the overall approach for this phase, as well as funding responsibilities. These cooperative, important steps are critical movements needed to have a light rail/modern streetcar connection from the Metrorail system downtown to Miami Beach, ultimately connection with the Modern streetcar system that we are developing in Miami Beach.

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